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Uzbekistan, Republic of Cotton and Products Cotton Update 2005

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Report Highlights:

MY 2004/05 cotton production forecast is revised down to 1.114 Million Metric Tons (MMT) (26,000 MT decrease) due to slightly lower yields than previously estimated. Export forecast has been revised down based on decreased production.

Includes PSD Changes: Yes Includes Trade Matrix: No Quarterly Report Ankara [TU1]

PRODUCTION

As of 1/01/05 official data, Uzbekistan's MY 2004/05 final seed cotton harvest is estimated at 3.537 MMT, which is 63,000 MT lower than the official state target. This year's favorable weather conditions during the vegetation period and harvesting in September and October considerably benefited the crop condition and allowed the farmers to harvest 98.3 percent of targeted seed cotton volume. Based on the final seed cotton harvest numbers Post forecasts Uzbekistan's MY 04/05 lint production at 1.114 MMT.

PSD Table

Country	Uzbekistan, Republic of
Commodity	Cotton

Commodity	Cotton	(HECTARES)(MT)					
-	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
USDA Official [Estimate [DA Official Estimate [DA Official Estimate [New]							
Market Year Begin		08.2002		08.2003		08.2004	MM/YYYY
Area Planted	1388000	1388000	1359000	1359000	1330000	1391000	(HECTARE
Area Harvested	1420000	1388000	1400000	1359000	1415000	1390000	(HECTARE
Beginning Stocks	237975	166770	216202	166770	195518	134110	(MT)
Production	1001542	1000000	892679	892680	1088633	1114000	(MT)
Imports	0	0	1089	0	0	0	(MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	1239517	1166770	1109970	1059450	1284151	1248110	(MT)
Exports	762043	750000	642293	642290	740270	825000	(MT)
USE Dom. Consumption	261272	250000	272158	283050	288488	290000	(MT)
Loss Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0	(MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumptic	261272	250000	272158	283050	288488	290000	(MT)
Ending Stocks	216202	166770	195518	134110	255393	133110	(MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	1239517	1166770	1109969	1059450	1284151	1248110	(MT)

Table 2. Uzbekistan's FY 04/05 Production target of seed cotton and the actual harvest in tonnage and percentage by regions as of 01.01.2005

Regions	Target	Actual harvest		
		In tons	In %	
Karakalpak Republic	176000	184100	104.6	
Andijan Region	310000	316600	102.1	
Bukhara Region	360000	381900	106.1	
Djizzakh Region	230000	237900	103.4	
Kashkadarya Region	410000	467500	114.0	
Navoi Region	110000	117100	106.5	
Namangan Region	270000	258800	95.9	
Samarkand Region	235000	247700	105.4	
Surkhandarya Region	345000	345500	100.1	
Syrdarya Region	264000	190900	72.3	
Tashkent Region	275000	249100	90.6	
Fergana Region	340000	252500	74.3	
Khorezm Region	275000	287500	104.5	
Total in Uzbekistan	3600000	3537100	98.3	
2003 for same period	3600000	2869400	79.7	

CONSUMPTION

No change is reported in the previous consumption estimate.

TRADE

MY 2004/05 cotton exports forecast has been slightly decreased to 825,000 MT (25,000 MT lower than earlier estimate) due to revised production of lint.